

WASHINGTON, D.C.— Today, Representative Xavier Becerra (CA-31), Vice Chair of the House Democratic Caucus, released the following [video statement in honor of Veterans Day](#) :

"Hello, I'm Congressman Xavier Becerra.

"On Veterans Day, we pay tribute to our men and women who have worn the uniform to protect our freedom and our values.

"They give...and have given...their all for America.

"We owe our veterans and their families an enormous debt of gratitude.

"We repay that debt, not only by saying thank you, but by showing we care.

"There is no better way to show we care than by working to make sure that every veteran who can work has a good-paying job.

"That's why, when Congress gets back to work, we must stop the delaying and pass the

President's Veterans Job Corps Act.

"I'm proud that I was among those who fought to pass a new G.I. Bill for the 21st Century. It promises a full, four-year college education for the millions of veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.

"Just as important, since 2007, we've added \$23 billion dollars for veterans' health care and services.

"Here at home, I've been meeting with our local veterans and officials from the Veterans Administration to clean up the bureaucracy that has bogged down the delivery of these essential services owed to our veterans.

"It's our duty as citizens and grateful Americans to make sure that we keep and strengthen the promises we have made to all of those who have worn our country's uniform. As your voice in Washington, I will continue fighting for those who have fought to defend us, our country and our values.

"On this day, to our fathers, our sisters...

"Our sons and daughters...

"Our warriors, our patriots...

"We say thank you."